

## Star, New York Times Join in News Exchange

The Star and the New York Times last night announced an agreement making available to each paper news, features and commentary of the other.

Under this arrangement, news produced by the Times' network of domestic and foreign bureaus will, for the first time, appear in a Washington newspaper, together with the work of such columnists as James Reston, Tom Wicker and Russell Baker and the cultural reporting of Clive Barnes, Ada Louise Huxtable, the Times daily book critics and others.

The Times, in turn, will be using news and features from The Star on the wire that goes to the 334 United States and overseas subscribers to the New York Times News Service. The wire also will be used to transmit two Star Syndicate features—the commentary of Mary McGrory and the Washington Close-Up column, produced by reporters of The Star.

Announcement of the agreement was made in New York by Arthur Ochs Sulzberger, president and publisher of the New York Times, and in Washington by John H. Kauffmann, president, and Newbold Noyes, editor, of The Star.

The agreement becomes effective Jan. 4, when the Times wire will be expanded by one hour to permit transmission of a selective budget of material from The Star. At a later date it will be further expanded to provide additional transmission time for Star news and features.

The agreement covers a six-day cycle, Monday through Saturday. The Star will not receive material prepared for the Sunday Times, nor will it contribute to the Times' Sunday news wire.

Rob Roy Buckingham, editor and general manager of the news service, said that "The Star's broad coverage of Washington, which will aug-

ment our own, will give us the strongest Washington report for morning and afternoon newspapers of any supplementary news service."

Noyes, speaking for The Star, said: "We feel the New York Times news service will contribute importantly to The Star's presentation of foreign and national news, supplementing coverage of our own correspondents and of our other services with reporting of the highest quality."

"At the same time, we plan to broaden our spectrum of political commentary by selecting the best of the Times' columns for regular use on our editorial pages. We hope to make good use of the Times' reporting of cultural affairs. All in all, we are delighted with this arrangement and feel confident it will benefit both organizations."